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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RULE 53(b) CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [X] divisional application of pending United States patent application 08/625,680 (Confirmation No. 5888), filed April 3, 1996, which is a continuation of United States patent application 08/452,767, filed May 30, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation of United States patent application 08/073,914, filed June 8, 1993, now abandoned.

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following:

[X] Specification (25 pages); [X] Claims (18; 6 pages); [X] Abstract (1 page); [X] Preliminary Amendment; [] Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97; [] PTO Form-1449, and references cited therein; [X] copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney; and [X] Patent Application Data Sheet, for filing in the above-identified patent application.

The enclosed declaration is:

- [X] Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)).
- [X] The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- [X] The prior application, Application No. <u>08/625,680</u>, filed <u>April 3, 1996</u>, is assigned of record to <u>Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated</u>.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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